

LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

05/15/07

6:00PM

Present: Deborah Atno-Shelton, Chair
Wendy Young, Member
Joe Tuell, CCCA Fac. Dir.
Jaime Marion, *Affiliate: ALT (Waynesboro)*
Brooke Rodgers, *Affiliate-Lutheran Family Svcs.*

Jim Hall, Secretary
Mark Seymour, DMHMRSAS/Advocate
Pam White, CCCA LHRC Liaison
Trey Lawhorne, *Affiliate: Shenandoah House/Intercept*
Chris Ruble, *Affiliate: Liberty Point*

Guests: Paul Krikau, Prospective Member
Resident DD, *Affiliate: Liberty Point*

Absent: Macy Fox, Member.

Minutes Prepared by: Pamela White

Approved by


Jim Hall, Secretary

CURRENT AGENDA	FUTURE AGENDA
1. Call to Order; Review of Minutes	1. Call to Order; Review of Minutes
2. General: Affiliated Programs	2. General: Affiliated Programs
3. Advocate's Report	3. Advocate's Report
4. CCCA Facility Director's Report	4. CCCA Facility Director's Report
5. Adjourn	5. The next regular CCCA LHRC meeting has been scheduled for 07/17/07 @ 6:00pm.

- Deborah Atno-Shelton- Chair called the meeting to order, welcoming all present. Noting an agenda change, Chris Ruble, *Affiliate: Liberty Point* requested a closed session for *Liberty Point* Resident DD to meet with the CCCA LHRC and provide an activities update.

The motion was made and seconded to go into a closed session pursuant to VA Code §2.2-3700, for the purpose of discussing matters excluded from the Freedom of Information Act. Upon reconvening in open session, the CCCA LHRC certified that to the best of each member knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session were discussed in the closed session.

Action: The CCCA LHRC thanked both Mr. Ruble and Resident DD for the update, congratulating them for the young resident's success thus far in his program.

- Ms. Atno-Shelton initiated the round table introductions, acknowledging several newcomers. The CCCA LHRC minutes of 03/20/07 were reviewed.

Action: The CCCA LHRC minutes of 03/20/07 were approved as presented.

- General discussion items from the Affiliates that were represented include:
 - Trey Lawhorne-*Affiliate: Shenandoah House/Intercept* announced that he had completed licensure training and that several physical improvement projects for his facility were under consideration.
 - Jaime Marion-*Affiliate: Augusta League of Therapists (Waynesboro)* provided a brief informational overview of his program and reported there were no issues at this time.
 - Brooke Rodgers-*Affiliate: Lutheran Family Services* introduced herself as the new Program Director of her program and stated that she would be attending CCCA LHRC meetings.
 - Chris Ruble-*Affiliate: Liberty Point* deferred and requested that he present his program's Annual Report in closed session at the end of the regular agenda items.

Action: The CCCA LHRC thanked the affiliate representatives for their comments and approved Mr. Ruble's request for a closed session at the end of the regular agenda.

4. Mark Seymour-DMHMRSAS Advocate presented the Advocate's Report, announcing that the VA DMHMRSAS *Rules & Regulations to Assure the Rights of Individuals Receiving Services from Providers of Mental Health, Mental Retardation, and Substance Abuse Services* had been re-drafted and that it had been reviewed and amended by the DMHMRSAS State Board. He added that LHRC training has been projected as being offered in September 2007. Mr. Seymour also announced that the CCCA LHRC had been recognized by the State Board at the 04/03/07 Annual Volunteer Luncheon held at the Stonewall Jackson Hotel in Staunton VA and thanked CCCA LHRC Chair Deborah Atno-Shelton for attending on behalf of the CCCA LHRC.
5. Joe Tuell-Facility Director provided the Facility Director's Report, commenting that the April 2007 tragedy at Virginia Tech had a state-wide impact on the VA mental health system, noting the increase in admissions to the Center, which were primarily TDOs. He added that admissions had continued to be on the rise.
6. A motion was made and passed to go into closed session pursuant to VA Code §2.2-3711 for the purpose of considering appointments to and removals from Local Human Rights Committees. Upon reconvening in open session, the CCCA LHRC certified to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session were discussed in closed session.

Action: After the applicant questionnaire review and interview, the CCCA LHRC recommended that Paul Krikau's application be submitted to the State Human Rights Committee (SHRC) for approval and appointment.

7. The CCCA LHRC reviewed the latest draft of the standard CCCA LHRC Affiliation Contract.

Action: The CCCA LHRC approved the standard contract as presented. Current LHRC affiliated programs will be sent contracts for their signature, to be remitted back to the CCCA LHRC.

8. Regarding the earlier request of Mr. Ruble- *Affiliate: Liberty Point*, the motion was made and seconded to go into a closed session pursuant to VA Code §2.2-3700, for the purpose of discussing matters excluded from the Freedom of Information Act. Upon reconvening in open session, the CCCA LHRC certified that to the best of each member knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the closed session were discussed in the closed session.

Action: The CCCA LHRC thanked both Mr. Ruble for his presentation and accepted the program's Annual Report.